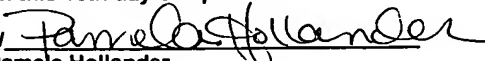


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- ☐ **Amendments to the Specification** begin on page \_\_\_\_ of this paper.
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